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APPLICANT(S): GRATZER ET AL. EXAMINER: JOIKE, M.

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP ART UNIT 1636

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 27, 2008, and thus due for response on September 27, 2008, please consider the following remarks and amendments for purposes of allowance, or alternatively, to narrow the issues on appeal. Applicants concurrently file herewith the following documents:

- (1) a petition for a one (3) month extension of time to and including December 30, 2008 to respond to the Office Action, since December 27, 2008, the six month anniversary of the issuance of the Office Action falls on a Saturday; and
 - (2) a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences.